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Transmitted herewith for filing is the above-identified utility U.S. patent application.

Enclosed are:

- 1. 20 pages of specification, including a one (1) page Abstract and Twenty-two (22) claims.
 - 2. An unexecuted Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney is enclosed herewith.
 - 3. Three (3) sheets of drawings.
 - 4. This Transmittal Letter, in duplicate.

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Pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §120 and/or 35 U.S.C. 119(e), Applicants hereby claim priority from presently copending U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/173,912 entitled "ABSORBENT ARTICLE WITH FLUID

INTAKE INTENSIFIER" and filed on December 29, 1999, in the names of Hyung Byum Kim, Eun Jung Kang, Eo Yeon Hwang, Doo Hong Kim.

Please preliminarily amend the specification of the present application by inserting, as the first sentence following the title, the following: "This application claims priority from U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/173,912 filed on December 29, 1999."

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